DEPARTMENT OF UCATION





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The State Board of Education was first provided for in the Constitution of 1850 and currently exists through the provisions of article VIII, section 3, of the Constitution of 1963. The state board is composed of 8 members nominated by party conventions and elected at-large for terms of 8 years, with 2 members being elected at each biennial state general election. The governor is authorized to fill vacancies on the state board and also serves as an ex officio member of the state board, without the right to vote. The superintendent of public instruction is appointed by the board for a term to be determined by the board, to serve as its chairperson, without the right to vote.

MICHIGAN STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION

	Term expires
JOHN C. AUSTIN, Fenton	Jan. 1, 2009
SHARON L. GIRE, Clinton Township (Vice President)	Jan. 1, 2007
MARIANNE YARED McGuire, Detroit (NASBE Delegate)	Jan. 1, 2005
HERBERT S. MOYER, Temperance	Jan. 1, 2005
KATHLEEN N. STRAUS, Detroit (President)	Jan. 1, 2009
MICHAEL DAVID WARREN, Jr., Beverly Hills (Secretary)	Jan. 1, 2003
EILEEN LAPPIN WEISER, Ann Arbor (Treasurer)	Jan. 1, 2007
SHARON A. WISE OWOSSO	Jan. 1, 2003

ex officio

JOHN M. ENGLER, Governor THOMAS D. WATKINS, JR., Superintendent of Public Instruction, Chairperson

Michigan State Board of Education

The State Board of Education exercises its constitutional duties of leadership and general supervision over all public education, including adult education and instructional programs in state institutions, except for institutions of higher education granting baccalaureate degrees. The State Board of Education advises the legislature on the financial requirements of baccalaureate degree-granting institutions.

The Office of the State Board of Education is responsible for supervising, managing, and coordinating all activities of the State Board of Education, including policy development, operations, and communications.

The **Administrative Secretary** to the State Board of Education is responsible as the legal repository of all State Board of Education and department activities and records. The Administrative Secretary prepares all State Board of Education correspondence, expenses, budget, and scheduling; and prepares all State Board of Education meeting agendas, minutes, and follow-up materials.

The *State Board of Education Policy Executive* is responsible for initiating needed scanning of national and statewide efforts to identify promising practices; preparing position papers on educational reform issues; keeping all department personnel abreast of the policy direction of the State Board of Education and the Superintendent; conducting research; making policy recommendations affecting education reform issues; and maintaining the State Board of Education Policy and Procedures book.

Department of Education

The Department of Education, under the direction of the Superintendent of Public Instruction, carries out the policies of the State Board of Education. The Department implements federal and state legislative mandates in education.

The *Superintendent of Public Instruction* is appointed by and responsible to the State Board of Education. The Superintendent is the principal executive officer of the Department of Education and is a member of the State Administrative Board. The Superintendent is the chair and a nonvoting member of the State Board of Education. The Superintendent also serves on the Public School Employees' Retirement Board, the Michigan State Safety Commission, and the State Board for Public Community Colleges. He is an ex officio member of the State Tenure Commission.

As the principal executive officer of the Department of Education, the Superintendent of Public Instruction is responsible for assisting the State Board of Education in advising the legislature regarding the financial needs of schools and administering the State School Aid Act. The Superintendent is responsible for the day-to-day management, supervision, and leadership of the Department. Major departmental responsibilities include: certification of educators and providing technical assistance to schools in the areas of instruction, special education, grants, transportation, and food programs. The Department also operates the Michigan Schools for the Deaf and Blind in Flint.

The *Office of the Superintendent of Public Instruction* includes the Chief Academic Officer, Deputy Superintendent for Administrative and Support Services and the Deputy Superintendent for Education Services. The Office also includes an Assistant Superintendent who acts as the Department's liaison with the state legislature, supervises the Internal Auditor function and the Customer Satisfaction function; and an Assistant Superintendent who works with safe schools issues, supervises the Administrative Law function, and acts as the Department's liaison with the Michigan Department of Corrections to facilitate educational and vocational training.

The area of *Administrative and Support Services* includes Budget, Contracts, and Grants; Financial Management and Administrative Services; Human Resources and Organizational Development; Information Technology Services; School Support Services; and State School Aid and School Finance.

The area of *Education Services* includes Education Options, Charters, and Choice; Field Services; Michigan Schools for the Deaf and Blind; Professional Preparation; School Excellence; and Special Education.

The area of *Innovation and Community Services* consists of Community Services; Government Services and Customer Satisfaction; and Organizational Development and Training.

STATE INTERAGENCY COORDINATING COUNCIL (SICC)

	SICC Chairperson	Term expires
Angus Miller		Sept. 2004
Parents		
TAMARA NELSON		Sept. 2004
CINDY POEHLMAN		Sept. 2003
LEON TABLER		Sept. 2003
Kristin Taylor		Sept. 2002
Tami Roberts, Alternat	e	

STATE INTERAGENCY COORDINATING COUNCIL (SICC) (Cont.)

Public and Private Providers	Term expires
KATHLEEN AL-RUBAIY SR. BARBARA CLINE PERRY LOPUCKI, Alternate	
Linda Fink	Sept. 2000
Frederick Bechtold, Alternate Michael McCartan Johanna Ostwald Tammy Fruik, Alternate	
Mark Reigle	Sept. 2002
WILLIAM WEIL	Sept. 2002
Insurance Bureau	
JOAN MOILES, Department of Consumer and Industry Services	Sept. 2002
Community Health	
SHERI FALVAY	Sept. 2003
JANE FINN, Children's Specialty Health Care Plan Douglas Paterson	Sept. 2004 Sept. 2004
Child Care Providers	
Barbara Roth-Grondin	Sept. 2000
Head Start	
Linda George	Sept. 2003
Native Americans	
VACANCY	Sept. 2001
Personnel Preparation	
Mark Larson, Ph.D. Karen Suksi, Alternate	Sept. 2003
Special Education	
DAVID BROCK	Sept. 2002
Family Independence Agency	
JOANNE NAGY	Sept. 2000 Sept. 2003
Consumer and Industry Services	
CAROL HAKALA ENGLE	
Lead Agency, Michigan Department of Education	
Carol Wolenberg. Lindy Buch, Alternate	Sept. 2004
Michigan Legislature	
Laura M. Toy	C + 000 4

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ROBBIE JAMESON, Department of Management and Budget

The State Interagency Coordinating Council was created by Executive Order No. 1992-21 and the Department of Education was designated as the lead agency to supervise the development and coordination of early intervention services for infants and toddlers with disabilities, birth to age 2, and their families.

Twenty percent of the council members are parents of infants and toddlers or parents of children age 12 or younger with disabilities. At least 20% of the members are public or private providers of early intervention services to children with disabilities.

The members are appointed by the governor and serve 3-year terms.

MICHIGAN SPECIAL EDUCATION ADVISORY COMMITTEE (SEAC)

Michigan Education Association Sandra Baker	
Michigan Association for Children With Emotional Disorders	
KAREN OLESKO	June 30, 2001
Michigan Association of School Social Workers	
Patricia Metz	June 30, 2002
Michigan Association of Administrators of Special Education	
James Shaw	June 30, 2001
Michigan Association of Intermediate School Administrators	
MICHAEL DEVAULT	
Michigan Speech-Language-Hearing Associ	
Anne Breard	June 30, 2001
Special Education Supervisors of Michig	
Brian Pianosi	June 30, 2001
Michigan Association of School Administrators	
ROBERT SHAW	June 30, 2001
Learning Disabilities Association of Michigan	
Glenda Hammond	June 30, 2002
Autism Society of Michigan	
ROBERT OPSOMMER	June 30, 2002
Association for Retarded Citizens/Michigan	
KIM KASTER	June 30, 2002
Physically Impaired Association of Michigan	
LAURENE POTTER	June 30, 2002
Council for Exceptional Children	
Laurie VanderPloeg	June 30, 2002
Citizens Alliance to Uphold Special Education	
DEBORAH CANJA-ISOM	June 30, 2003
Statewide Parent Advisory Committee	
Patricia Keller	June 30, 2002
Michigan Association of Intermediate Special Education Administrators	
Don Trap	

MICHIGAN SPECIAL EDUCATION ADVISORY COMMITTEE (SEAC) (Cont.)

Michigan Association of Teachers of		
Emotionally Disturbed Children Term expires		
Steve Wessels		
Michigan Federation of Teachers		
GINNY PALUBIN		
Michigan Association of School Boards		
Deb Russell June 30, 2003		
Michigan Association of Public School Academies		
Karen Woods		
Michigan Association of Nonpublic Schools		
Barbara StorkJune 30, 2001		
Michigan Transition Services Association		
Peggy McNeillyJune 30, 2002		
General Public		
CAROLYN BELKNAP BARTZ June 30, 2002		
JILL BLIXTJune 30, 2002		
CYNTHIA KIDDER June 30, 2001		
VIRGINIA KILLOUGH, SEAC (Chair)June 30, 2001		
Brenda Kotsis June 30, 2001		
Shari Krishnan June 30, 2003		
Amy VanDalenJune 30, 2001		
Anne White O'HaraJune 30, 2002		

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DIANE SPENCE, Department of Corrections JACQUELYN THOMPSON, Department of Education CRAIG SPARKS, Family Independence Agency SHERI FALVAY, Department of Community Health MARK LARSON, Institutions of Higher Education ROSANNE RENAUER, Department of Career Development

The State Board of Education appoints a **Special Education Advisory Committee** which provides advice to the board on matters pertaining to special education. The Michigan Special Education Advisory Committee was created by Act 154 of 1966. In compliance with the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act, as amended in 1997, the Special Education Advisory Committee currently has 30 members, thus ensuring the requisite representation of stakeholders.

STATE BOARD FOR PUBLIC COMMUNITY COLLEGES

	Term expires
GLADYS BECKWITH	Jan. 31, 2001
Patricia Carter (Vice Chair)	Jan. 31, 2003
RICHARD H. CRAMPTON (Chair)	Jan. 31, 2003
Lewis E. Driskell, Sr	Jan. 31, 2007
DAVID W. HACKETT	. Jan. 31, 2005
CAROL S. MACK	Jan. 31, 2007
Vernis L. Schad (Secretary)	Jan. 31, 2005
JAMES F. A. TURNER	. Jan. 31, 2001

ex officio

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The State Board of Education, in article VIII, section 7, of the Constitution of 1963, is authorized to appoint a State Board for Public Community Colleges. This body consists of 8 members who serve 8-year terms and advise the State Board of Education concerning the general supervision and planning for community and junior colleges and annual appropriations necessary for their support.

STATE TENURE COMMISSION

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School District Boards of Education	Term expires	
Judy Emmons, Sheridan	Aug. 31, 2004	
Classroom Instructors		
Frances K. Sinelli, Muskegon	Aug. 31, 2005	
School District Superintendents		
JOSEPH CAIMI, Algonac	Aug. 31, 2003	
General Public		
James M. Cameron, Ann Arbor	Aug. 31, 2006	
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The **State Tenure Commission** was created by Act 4 of the Extra Session of 1937. The commission renders decisions on appeals by teachers who contest decisions made by their local school boards concerning their tenure rights.

The 5 members of the commission are appointed by the governor for 5-year terms. Upon expiration of a term, a member may continue to serve until a successor is appointed.

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